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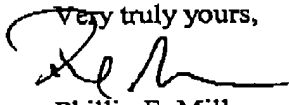
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Re: Filing of Second Preliminary Amendment
U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/935,699
Our Ref: NGB.172

Dear Examiner:

Enclosed please find a Second Preliminary Amendment based on our discussion in our personal interview of February 24, 2006 which should place the above referenced Application in condition for immediate allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this case.

Very truly yours,

Phillip E. Miller

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Serial No. 09/935,699
Docket No. T36-135964M/RS

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Serial No.: 09/935,699

Group Art Unit: 1746

Filed: August 24, 2001

Examiner: Komakov, Michael

For: **METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A GROUP III NITRIDE COMPOUND
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In addition to the Preliminary Amendment filed herein on January 23, 2006, please
amend the above-identified application as follows: